C. W. MORSE FORMS **NEW SHIP COMBINE**

Thirteen Vessels Bought For European and South American Service.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.-Charles W Morse, former banker and head of the Hudson Navigation Company, is today well under way in organizing a shipping combine which, it is intended, shall be the beginning of a United States mercantile marine touching all European nd South American ports. The new company is said to have the financial backing of a strong banking syndicate in Wall Street. All the ships will fly the American flag and be strictly American owned.

It has been learned thirteen ships have

been acquired already at a price in excess of \$3,000,000. Twelve of the ships will sail on a route from New York to Archangel for the present. The thirteenth ship has been assigned to coastwise service with South America.

For Separate Companies.

The Morse plan provides for the inrporation of a separate shipping com pany for each ship owned. All of the subsidiary companies are to be controlled by a holding company, the name of which has not been decided. The subsidiary companies bear the names of the ship owned by each company. The total gross tonnage is 8,179. The boats are of steel and did not require

alterations to get through the Welland canal. Their combined cost to the syncanal. Their combined cost to the syndicate was approximately \$600,000. These steamships will be equipped in local drydocks with new condensers, and some condensers, and some condensers. ther alterations must be made to make them serviceable for salt water serv-

The last of the thirteen snips acquired is the Zelandia. This ship came into prominence early in November, when she was searched off Progreso, Mexico, by British sailors from a cruiser waiting near the mouth of Progreso harbor. The incident figured in diplomatic correspondence between this country and Great Britain. It was said that German interests owned the Zelandia, and that the ship's cargo of resin, conand that the ship's cargo of resin, con-signed to a Swedish port, was really destined for Germany,

The Fiske Trading Company, it was recorded, owned the vessel, but it was stated in some quarters that Dr. Heinrich Albert, reputed fiscal agent for Germany, was the real owner. There has been no final disposition of the charges of unlawful search instituted by this country in the Zelandia case.

To Go Into Russian Service. How Mr. Morse obtained the vessel in the face of the diplomatic complications was not explained yesterday. The Zelandia, it was said, was purchased for

landia, it was said, was purchased for about \$415,000. She is the highest-priced boat in the Morse fleet, and is ready for the Russian service. She is now in New York harbor.

According to the informant there will be no stock flotation by the syndicate to cover the purchases of the shins. Private subscriptions were called for, it was said, and the amount needed was oversubscribed. The names of the syndicate members were not disclosed.

"Mr. Morse hopes to build up a big United States merchant marine," said one of his associates. "He has had this in view a long time, but it is only recently that his plans have taken definite form."

Asked in Three Suits

Little Girl Injured by Motor Truck Sues Baking

Company. Three suits asking for \$85,000 damage from the General Baking Company were filed in the District Su-

preme Court yesterday by Gladiola Purks, seven years old, and her parents, John H. and Cora Purks.

In an action, seekin \$50,000, Cladiola Purks informs the court that on October 16, while walking along Prespect avenue, in Georgetown, with her methods and the court of the court er, a motor truck, owned by the de-fendant came up on the sidewalk and struck her. She alleges permanent in-juries to her left wrist and other in-juries to her face and arms, which will leave them permanently scarred and marred.

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In the netition filed by the mother. 825,000 is sought for injuries to her left leg and other parts of the body. John H. Purks seeks damages in the sum of \$10,000 by reason of the loss of the services and society of his wife and daughter. The petitions were filed by Attorneys Frederick B. Rhodes and Paul B. Cromelin.

Navy Sets Records For Long-Distance Wireless

What is believed to have been the what is believed to have been the longest "over-land-and-water" radio conversation ever held took place yesterday between Admiral Fletcher and Admiral Winslow. Fletcher, on his flagship Wyoming, off Cape Henry, "talked" easily with Winslow, who was on the flagship San Diego off Guaymas.

LOCAL MENTION.

Charlie Chaplin's Laugh Features to-day, Va. Thea. Soon, Charlie in "Carmen."

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CONSCRIPTION AT G. U.

As a forerunner to an elaborate program of preparedness, the Class of 1918, Georgetown University Law, is not asking for volunteers, but is bound to have every able-bodied barrister, married or single, young or old, swear allegiance when the first call to colors is sounded. Hence, the drastic measure-CONSCRIPTION.

Order of first encampment:

Assemble in front of Georgetown University Barracks at 8 o'clock, Saturday evening, and by a short-forced march draw up in

Entrench yourselves, and await the order to charge. At the word from General Watkins rise up to a man and claim the

Fort of Pleasure in the name of the Freshman Class. Then, RE-FORM yourselves to hear various sermons upon the Advantages of Preparedness.

The Dove of Peace, having infused all of you, retreat in an orderly (Signed)

WM. J. CULLINAN,

Minister of Munitions. P. S.—To the uninitiated it might be explained this is the invitation to the barquet of the freshman class of the Georgetown Law

Beefsteak Social Session Set For Thursday Night

Washington Lodge, No. 15, B. P. O. Elks, has completed arrangements for its annual "Thumb Bit Beefsteak So-

cial Session to be tendered to the Ladies" Thursday evening at the Elks' Home, in H street northwest.

The festivities will begin at \$ o'clock and continue until 11:20. In addition to the steak and trimmings, there will be plenty of refreshments and a cabarct program will enliven things while the guests are being served by Elks in the guests are being served by Elks in the garb of waiters.

Leon Straus is secretary of the committee in charge.

Policemen to Install

ciety, which met last night at the residence of Mrs. Laura B. Lawson, postponed the address which was to have been delivered and adjourned after a brief business assison. Mrs. Walport was the founder of the society, having organized it April 5, 1897, and having taken an active interest in its welfare until the time of her death.

President E. V. Carr named a committee to draw up resolutions of regret at the death of Mrs. Walport, and it was decided to hold a memorial meeting February 14. On the resolutions committee are Mrs. Laura B. Lawson, A. H. Frier, Mrs. Blanche Beaton, and Miss M. M. Gordon.

Policemen to Install Officers At Smoker

New officers of the Policemen's As tociation of the District of Columbia will be installed at a smoker to be held Thursday night at Pythian Temple. The officers include: President, C. E. Smith, of the Tenth precinct; first vice president, "Wash" Sanford, of the Ninth precinct; second vice president, William J. Mahoney, of the Sixth precinct; recording secretary, William Sollers, of the Fourth precinct; financial secretary, J. E. Wilson, of the Third precinct, and treasurer, Lieut, C. P. M. Lord, of the Tenth precinct.

Hebrew Women to Give Musicale At Rauscher's

With a musicale at Rauscher's the Washington Council of Jewish Women will celebrate its twentieth anniversary tomorrow afternoon.

Elias Breeskin, a Washington violinist, who made his first public appearance Damages of \$85,000

Asked in Three Suits

at a concert by the council seven years ago, vill be the principal attraction. Mrs. A. Julian Erylawski, contrained in Three Suits

Grip Lurks in Phones.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.-Announcemen has just been made by the department of health that telephone mouthpleces are a fertile source in spreading the Officials of the department adthat those using telephones should keep their mouth away from the mouthpiece, even if it is necessary to repeat their conversation. Better still, the officials said, is to put a handker-chief over the mouthpiece.

Literary Society Honors Memory of Mrs. Walport

As a tribute to the memory of the late Mrs. Marion Gill Walport, who died Saturday, the Capitol Hill Literary Social Session to be tendered to the ciety, which met last night at the resi-

Will Increase Wages.

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OPPOSE PROPOSED SITE FOR HOSPITAL

Piney Branch Citizens Do Not Want Gallinger Institution Located On Fourteenth St.

Resolutions were adopted by the Piney Branch Citizens' Association last night urging vigorous and concerted action in opposing the plan of the District Commissioners to locate the proposed Gallinger Hospital on Fourteenth street.

By a rising vote those present signified their willingness to appear per sonally before the District Committee of the House and fight the proposed legislation. This course, it was believed, would have more prospect of success than an appeal to the Commissioners by personal letters.

The proposed Gallinger Hospital, was declared, was the old Washing ton Asylum Hospital where convicted criminals, unable to serve their sentences, were confined, together with inebriates and others. The establishment of such an institution in their midst was held to be inimical to the best interests of the community and constant menace to the health and afety of the residents.

The secretary, V. G. Croissant, anneunced that the Brightwood Park Citizens' Association, the Petworth Citizens' Association, and the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association, to whom the question was submitted, with a view to enlisting their coperation in the fight, had taken favorable action, but that the Park View Association had made an adverse the Commissioners. eport, indorsing the Commissioners The chairman of the public service corporations committee introduced William McK. Clayton, of the Bright wood Park Association, who spoke of the efforts of that organization to compel the street car company to install the underground system or Georgia avenue as far north as the car barn. The Commissioners had ncluded a recommendation in their District budget, he said, providing for the system as far as Rock Creek

Church road.

Committee chairmanships for the ensuing year were announced as follows: Membership, A. P. Hastings law and order, E. E. Clement; public service corporations, W. F. Peabody:

fire and police protection, L. A. Clinton; schools and schoolhouses, Dr. E. M. Hasbrouck; parks and parking, E. S. Clarkson; public health, Dr. L. J. Battle; mail facilities, E. E. Norwood; taxation, John W. Keener, and streets, sidewalks, and lights, E. B. Henderson, G. A. Finch, the newly elected president, presided.

Postponement of Calve Concert Is Announced

Owing to a conflict in dates, the concert of Mme. Calve, who was to appear at the New National Theater Thursday afternoon, has been postponed. The announcement is made by the local manager, T. Arthur Smith, who states that the same concert will be given at a future date.

The Flotilla company, organized to collect funds for the wounded at the French fighting front, under the direction of and for the benefit of which Mme. Calve was to sing, has made arrangements to extend the concert tour. This change necessitates the postponement of the date of Mme. Calve's appearance in this city, since other cities are to be included in the itinerary.

The announcement of the date of the concert will be made soon.

To Discuss Child's Eyes.

"The Eyes During Childhood" will be the subject of an address and discussion at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Franklin-Thomson School this afternoon. The meeting will be held in the school building, Twelfth and L streets northwest.



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World Peace Court With Armed Support Proposed

An international peace tribunal, with an international army and navy to enforce its decrees, was suggested by

force its decrees, was suggested by Oscar T. Crosby, in an address before the Washington Railway and Electric Company's section of the American Electric Railway Association at the offices of the Potomsoc Electric Power Company last night.

Mr. Crosby formerly was president of the company, and had much to do with its organization. He is a graduate of West Point, a former officer of the Engineer Corps of the army, a railway builder, and explorer. In addition to the address by Mr. Crosby. Col. George Truesdell, another former president of Truesdell. another former president of the company, and William F. Ham, vice president of the company, spoke. After the meeting a luncheon was served.

Decatur Heights Wants A Better Car Service

A better and cheaper car service be tween Decatur Heights, near Bladensburg and this city, is the subject of a newly organized Decatur Heights Citizens' Association, which held its first meeting Sunday afternoon, at the home of H. B. Ware. The cost of street

Another meeting will be held in two weeks, at which time it is expected about twenty new members will be admitted.

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